



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
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November 27, 2002

Reply To

Attn Of: OAQ-107

Kevin Bolton
EnCana Oil & Gas (USA) Inc.
Attn: Alaska Project
950 17th Street, Suite 2600
Denver, Colorado 80202

Re: McCovey Prospect Permit No. OCS 2002-01, Revision 1

Dear Mr. Bolton:

The United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has evaluated EnCana's November 14, 2002, application for a revision to outer continental shelf (OCS) air construction permit No. OCS 2002-01 issued May 29, 2002. EnCana is requesting the addition of 22 emission units to the facility, an increase in the permitted hours of operation for the existing garbage incinerator, a reduction in the permitted hours of operation for the existing flares, and a permit condition limiting the hours of operation for two new garbage incinerators. Projected annual emissions from the revised emissions inventory are not expected to increase based upon EnCana's projected operating conditions and commitment to operational restrictions. In addition, projected annual emission are not expected to interfere with the NAAQS. The State of Alaska Division of Governmental Coordination (DGC) has reviewed the revised emissions inventory, and the DGC has determined that an additional consistency review is not needed.

EPA has determined that the project continues to satisfy the requirements of the Clean Air Act and 40 C.F.R. Part 55. Accordingly, on the basis of the original OCS permit application and subsequent application for permit revision, EPA hereby grants its approval to EnCana to conduct exploratory drilling at the McCovey Prospect subject to the terms and conditions contained in the enclosed permit. This final permit decision is supported by EPA's final determination analysis document, also enclosed.

The revised permit is effective upon issuance, and the permit rescinds the previous May 29, 2002, permit.

Sincerely,

L. John Iani
Regional Administrator

cc: w/ enclosures

Rosemary Ahtuanguaruak, Native Village of Nuiqsut
Bill Tegoseak, Inupiat Community of the Arctic Slope
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Kaye Laughlin, Alaska Division of Governmental Coordination
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Dan Young, Air Sciences
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Enclosures:

1. Copy of OCS Permit
2. Copy of Final Determination Analysis Document